

September 21, 2008

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Re: July Quarterly Report (4/1/08 ? 6/30/08), Ellison for Congress, FEC Id. No. C00422410

Dear Ms. Pittman:

This is the response of the Ellison for Congress (the ?Committee?) to the Commission?s request for additional information regarding the Committee?s July Quarterly Report.

The Committee uses a multi-step ?best efforts? approach to obtaining identification of individual donors, as follows:

1. Our solicitation materials include a clear and conspicuous request for contributor?s name, address, occupation and employer. A notice of the Federal law ?best efforts? requirement is included on every solicitation.
2. In the case of verbal solicitations, we maintain the practice of informing prospective contributors of the Federal law requirements.
3. Our web site includes the ?best efforts? language and also requires the contributor to provide their name, address, employer and occupation.
4. For those contributors who do not provide adequate information, we follow-up within 30 days. Phone calls are documented in memo form. If we are not able to contact the contributor by phone, we either send an email or we send a letter. The letter is accompanied with a pre-addressed envelope.

We have made a further attempt to acquire the missing employers and occupations for the July Quarterly Report (4/1/08 ? 6/30/08). This report has been amended, to include missing information that we have obtained.

Sincerely,

Samuel L. Kaplan  
Treasurer